

April 21, 1959

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court on the Above date at 7:30 P. M. with Mayor B. E. Ball presiding.

Present: B.E. Ball, Fred King, Sol Cury, W.R. Hamner, F.W. Glass

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. W. H. Witt, Jr. and Mrs. Joe Kilgore were present to present the Wise County Public Library report and to request that \$300.00 be included in the budget for the library.

#1463

Dr. J. T. Phillips appeared before council to request what action had been decided regarding open ditch on his property. Referred to City Manager. (See Page 165, #1454).

Mr. J. A. Johnston appeared before council in reference to the dog ordinance. During his dog campaign several citizens asked him to see what could be done about dogs running loose on their property.

#1464

Mr. Jim Hickam of Virginia Avenue, N. E., appeared before council asking that a road be fixed near his property and that steps be built to his property. This matter was referred to City Manager. He also asked that something be done about dogs running loose.

#1465

Mr. W. F. McElroy appeared before council regarding Pony Shed between Spruce Street and 12th St. Mr. Roy Davidson as one of the pony owners stated that he could see no harm in having this pony shed as it was 300 to 500' from Mr. McElroy's Home. He also stated that these pets were to be used strictly for children's entertainment. Mr. Morgan Burchette, Mr. Morris Burchette and Mr. Ewing Davidson also spoke in favor of having ponies in the city. Mr. F. W. Glass stated his views on having pets of this kind in the city. The above gentlemen requested that the Zoning Ordinance for B Residential sections, be amended or repealed.

#1466

Mr. J. B. Taggart and Mr. C. W. Cooper, Commissioners of the Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority requesting approval on plat for location of houses in one of the new development areas.

#1467

On motion by Sol, Cury, seconded by W. R. Hamner and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED that the plat designated Ramsey Site made by Charles B. McElroy, Architect, Wise, Virginia, for Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority dated April, 1959, showing the alteration of 5th Street on Clear Crk. Impr. Plat and the dedication of New Street together with the closing of an alley be and the same is hereby approved by the City Council for dedication and recordation in the Clerk's Office of Wise County.

Dr. Robert Jessee of the Wise County Health Center appeared before council relative to an addition of a second story to the Health Center here in Norton. Dr. Jessee advised council that preliminary steps should be taken before July, 1959, in order to get the Hill-Burton money ear-marked for this project. #1468

On motion by Sol Cury, seconded by F. W. Glass and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the City Manager was authorized to secure the necessary applications to secure the Hill-Burton Funds and to begin the necessary proceedings.

A group of citizens from the Esserville Section appeared before council regarding annexation of that area. #1469

Mr. Charlie Wells presented the opposition's arguments against annexation.

Mr. Delmer Bolling presented the views of the people who would like to be annexed.

Mr. Greear, advised this group from the Guest River section exactly what benefits they would receive from being annexed.

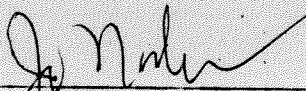
On motion by Sol Cury, seconded by Fred H. King and carried by unanimous roll call vote council accepted the school Budget for the ensuing year. #1470

Mr. Norton advised council that the taxicab owners were being refunded 10¢ on each 100# weight of their taxicabs. #1471

Mr. Norton Advised council that the steps on Ridge Avenue had been started.

The city manager advised council that the sewer on Virginia Avenue was being taken care of.

There being no further business before the council same adjourned to meet again on Tuesday, April 28th at 7:30 P. M., to further study the budget for the ensuing year 1959-60.


Clerk


Mayor